【第４話】
SOON AFTER DEPARTING FOR THE MAGIC ACADEMY, WE WERE ATTACKED BY A MANA EATER
IT'S BEEN 2 DAYS SINCE WE RETURNED TO ILGA VILLAGE
I'VE BEEN IN BED ALL THIS TIME RECOVERING MY STRENGTH.
I STILL FEEL TIRED
BUT IT'S ONLY NATURAL
AFTER DEFEATING THE MANA EATER AND THEN RUNNING BACK TO THE VILLAGE ALONE(+SPIRITS) TO CALL FOR HELP.

HOW LONG ARE YOU GONNA SLEEP? IT'S BORING LIKE THIS!
GAI...
YOU SURE ARE ENERGETIC AFTER ALL THAT...
YOU REALLY ARE A CHILD...

MR. SUIN AND THE OTHERS WERE ALSO HURT. SO WE'RE BACK AT THE STARTING POINT...
YOU'RE FINALLY AWAKE?

I'M NOT THE ME YOU KNEW BEFORE!
WHO'S THE CHILD HERE?

IT'S NOT THE ONE THAT WAS WITH ME
THERE'S A FIRE SPIRIT ON HIS SHOULDER
HM?

MIRA
COME OUTSIDE
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANNA SHOW YOU!
WHAT IS IT?
JUST FOLLOW ME!
HUH?
HOW FAR ARE WE GOING?
MR. SUIN!
PLEASE TEACH ME MAGIC!

GA!
I WANNA BE ABLE TO BEAT MANA EATERS TOO!
I ALSO
WANNA BE STRONG!
I GET HOW YOU FEEL,
BUT IT TAKES A WHILE TO LEARN THE BASICS AND THEN START USING MAGIC...
RIGHT NOW!
I MEAN
MIRA WAS REALLY STRONG!
I WANNA LEARN NOW!

I'M SUPPOSED TO BE OLDER THAN HER!
BUT
I'M SUPPOSED TO BE A MAN!
SO I NEED TO GET STRONGER
AND BECOME A MAN WHO CAN PROTECT MIRA!

GAI...
WELL SAID!
K-KIINAN...
WHY NOT JUST LET THEM?
...TRUE... I SUPPOSE IT'S BETTER THAN HIM PRACTICING IN SECRET AND LOSING CONTROL OF HIS MANA...
IT'S NOT LIKE HE'LL QUIT IF YOU TELL HIM TO...
THAT'S QUITE THE SPIRIT YOU'VE GOT AT YOUR AGE!
I'M ALSO A FIRE MAGICIAN. SO I CAN TEACH YOU TO FIGHT WITH MAGIC!
REALLY?!

I'VE MANAGED TO LEARN TO USE MAGIC!
AND SO.
ALRIGHT!
I'LL TAKE DOWN A MANA EATER!
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YEAH, THAT'S JUST IMPOSSIBLE.
I'LL SHOW HER
JUST HOW STRONG I AM!
MIRA.
STAND BACK. IT'S DANGEROUS.
HUH?

GAI?
WHAT ARE YOU...
I'M NOT THE ME
CONSUME MY MANA
AND GRANT ME FLAMES!

昨日まで
オレじゃ
YOU KNEW
BEFORE!
いんだ!!!
FIREBALL!

シュウウ…
WOW!
AWESOME, AIN'T IT?
MIRA.
I'M GONNA STUDY MORE ABOUT MAGIC
AND BECOMING STRONGER
BUT I CAN'T BEAT A MANA EATER WITH THIS.
I NEED MORE TRAINING.

SO THE NEXT TIME A MANA EATER SHOWS UP
I'LL PROTECT YOU!
...I—
I'M OLDER THAN YOU AFTER ALL...

I'LL BE COUNTING ON YOU THEN
OKAY, THANKS GA!
OF COURSE!
HEY! GA!! WHAT WERE YOU DOING?!
I'D PREFER I DON'T MEET ANOTHER ONE THOUGH
I HEARD SOME-THING REALLY LOUD!
ZACK...
MR SUIN, AND MR PANAMA
IS HE ALREADY SHOWING OFF?
UM
THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO TRY...
ガヴガヴ...
HEY
IS THERE A WAY OF GETTING MORE MANA?
YES BUT IT'S REALLY DIFFI-CULT
MORE MANA...
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WHAT'S GOING ON?
MIRA'S EXPERIMENTING WITH MAGIC
APPARENTLY THIS SPELL WILL LET YOU FIGHT A MANA EATER WITH LITTLE MANA
CREATE A FIREBALL
AND SUSPEND IT
THEN
CONVERGE!
THE COLOR CHANGED!
BECOME A FLASH AND

PIERCE!
HUH?
.....
DID IT FAIL?
WOAH!
WAS IT TOO SMALL?
DID I USE TOO LITTLE MANA?
AWESOME!
IT MELTED THE ROCK AND LEFT A HOLE!

IF YOU FIRED THIS INTO A MANA EATER'S WEAK SPOT...
I THOUGHT THAT CONCENTRATING THE HEAT WOULD MAKE IT STRONGER
MR. SUIN IS LOOKING AWAY!
AH!
ARE YOU SERIOUS?
WHAT THE
YOU MANAGED TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING LIKE THIS...
I GUESS THERE'S ALWAYS SOMEONE STRONGER
AND THE BARRIER IS JUST COMMON SENSE
WHAT?

DON'T YOU INTEND TO PROTECT HER?
YOU HEARD THAT?!
YOU BETTER WORK HARDER GAI, OR SHE'LL BE ON TOP
?
WHAT'S WRONG GAI?
YOU IDIOT!
WHAT'S THAT FOR?!